

Dear Distinguished Members of the Judiciary Committee,

Please oppose S.B. # 16

Once again, the legal gun owners of this state are under attack. I'm opposed to extending the list of banned firearms. Every few years, this state keeps adding firearms that are in common use, to the already long list.

Banning firearms, firearm features, banning 28-year-old firearms is not going to keep firearms out of the hands of criminals but will retroactively turn ordinary law-abiding citizens such as myself into criminals overnight.

I regularly carry concealed pistol with me while attending and serving at my church. The idea that my first instinct should be to retreat during a mass shooting is ridiculous. The fact that I can be legally punished for failing to do so in protection of my brothers and sisters is asinine.

And calling for more registration legislation? DESPP/SFLU doesn't even have enough staff to process carry permit renewal within 6 months.

I ask that you NOT Support Governor Lamont's attack on the over 300,000 lawful firearm permit holders of Connecticut.

In addition, I also **OPPOSE** H.B. No. 5416 – AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.

I **SUPPORT** Raised S.B. No. 388 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR MOTOR VEHICLE.

I **SUPPORT** Raised H.B. No. 5415 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

I **SUPPORT** Raised H.B. No. 5412 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

Respectfully submitted,

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